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SUBJECT: CEP: US INSTRUCTIONS FOR THE MEETING OF THE
-- SENIOR EMERGENCY PLANNING COMMITTEE (SCEPC),
-- APRIL 10-11, 1975

REF: A) AC/98-A/104, B) USNATO 1803

THE FOLLOWING INSTRUCTIONS ARE PROVIDED FOR USE BY THE
MISSION AT THE SCEPC MEETING APRIL 10-11, 1975. ITEMS ARE
KEYED TO THE AGENDA (AC/98-A/104) FOR THIS MEETING:

ITEM I: THIS ITEM MAY BE APPROVED.

ITEM II:

A. THIS ITEM MAY BE APPROVED SUBJECT TO THE FOLLOWING
REVISIONS: (1) PARA 3(C), AC/98-WP/102 SHOULD BE DELETED
SINCE AT THIS TIME THERE IS SOME QUESTION AS TO THE PRE-
CISE ROLE OF THE BOCCA AND SUCH TRAINING APPEARS TO BE
PREMATURE IN VIEW OF AC/107-D/367 AND MCM-18-75. AC-
CORDINGLY, THE US DOES NOT CONSIDER THIS TRAINING BID
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ESSENTIAL AT THIS TIME. (2) DELETE FROM PARA 16B,

AC/98-WP/102 THAT PORTION FOLLOWING THE WORD "PROGRAMME."

(3) THERE IS TOO MUCH EMPHASIS THROUGHOUT THIS WP ON DIVIDING THE TRAINING BETWEEN "INITIAL TRAINING" AND "PRACTICAL TRAINING." IN VIEW OF KNOWN BUDGETARY CONSTRAINTS IT APPEARS THAT INCREASED EMPHASIS SHOULD BE GIVEN TO THE PRACTICAL TRAINING OF NCWA DESIGNEES AND NOT TO ORIENTATION TYPE TRAINING. THIS POSITION IS FURTHER AUGMENTED BY THE INFORMAL COMMENTS RECEIVED FROM US DESIGNEES TRAINED AT ARNPRIOR IN 1974 THAT A SHORT INTRODUCTORY PRESENTATION BE MADE AT THE BEGINNING OF THE TRAINING SESSION PRIOR TO SUBSTANTIVE REPEAT SUBSTANTIVE PRACTICAL TRAINING. (4) PARAGRAPHS 12(B) AND (C), AC/98-D/762 SHOULD BE DELETED. WE DO NOT REPEAT DO NOT AGREE THAT IT WAS THE INTENT OR DESIRE OF THE SCEPC IN PLENARY SESSION TO GIVE PRIMARY RESPONSIBILITY TO THE IS FOR DEVELOPING NCWA TRAINING AS REFLECTED IN PARAGRAPH 12(B) SINCE WE CONSIDER THE PB AND CS TO BE A BETTER AUTHORITY THAN THE IS TO DETERMINE WHAT TRAINING IS NEEDED FOR THEIR RESPECTIVE NCWA. WE DO NOT REPEAT DO NOT AGREE THAT IS TRAVEL COST IN CONNECTION WITH NATO CEP TRAINING SHOULD BE MET FROM FUNDS ALLOCATED CEP FOR TRAINING PURPOSES, AS STATED IN PARAGRAPH 12(C), AND SUPPORT USNATO'S POSITION EXPRESSED IN REF B. FURTHER, SHOULD SUCH A PRECEDENCE BE ESTABLISHED, FEWER FUNDS WOULD BE AVAILABLE FOR TRAINING NCWA DESIGNEES WHICH WOULD FURTHER DEGRADE THE ALREADY MARGINAL READINESS OF THE NCWAS TO RESPOND TO ANY DIRECTIONS GIVEN BY THE COUNCIL.

ITEM III: AC/98-WP/104 WAS NOT RECEIVED IN COUNTRY IN SUFFICIENT TIME FOR EXAMINATION BY ALL INTERESTED DEPARTMENTS AND AGENCIES. HOWEVER, THE REVISIONS AS OUTLINED IN REF B SHOULD BE PURSUED AND WILL BE ADDRESSED BY THE US REPRESENTATIVE TO THE MAY REINFORCED SCEPC MEETING.

ITEM IV: ALTHOUGH AC/98-WP/105 WAS NOT RECEIVED IN SUFFICIENT TIME SO THAT ALL INTERESTED DEPARTMENTS AND AGENCIES COULD ACCOMPLISH THE NECESSARY REVIEW, THIS ITEM MAY BE APPROVED SUBJECT TO THE REVISIONS SUGGESTED
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REF B. THE ENTIRE TENOR OF THE DRAFT REPORT APPEARS TO BE NEGATIVE RATHER THAN FACTUAL REPORTING OF WHAT HAS BEEN ACCOMPLISHED. THIS IS PARTICULARLY EVIDENT IN THE DISCUSSION OF THE LINES OF COMMUNICATION (LOC) STUDY, CIVIL AVIATION, AND THE AMMUNITION LEAD TIME STUDY WHICH ALL SHOULD BE EXPANDED IN THE REPORT. FURTHER, PARAGRAPH 7 DOES NOT REFLECT AN APPROVED SCEPC POSITION CONCERNING THE INTERFACE BETWEEN THE ALLIANCE AND

EXISTING INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS. PARAGRAPH 15

SHOULD BE DELETED SINCE IT APPEARS TO SINGLE OUT ONE AGREEMENT OF LIMITED SIGNIFICANCE TO THE ENTIRE CIVIL PREPAREDNESS PROGRAM. PARAGRAPH 17 SHOULD BE EXPANDED TO INCLUDE THE WORK THAT HAS BEEN INITIATED TO REVISE THE TERMS OF REFERENCE (TOR) FOR THE NCWA SINCE THIS WORK IS IN RESPONSE TO AN APPROVED COUNCIL DECISION. THE US, HOWEVER, WILL WISH TO DISCUSS THIS SUBJECT IN DETAIL AT THE MAY REINFORCED SESSION. THEREFORE, THE IS SHOULD BE ADVISED BY THE US REPRESENTATIVE TO THE SCEPC TO DISTRIBUTE CHANGES TO AC/98-WP/105 RESULTING FROM THE APRIL MEETING BY NATO-WIDE AS SOON AS POSSIBLE FOLLOWING THE APRIL MEETING SO THAT MEANINGFUL DISCUSSIONS OF THIS ITEM MAY BE HELD DURING THE MAY REINFORCED MEETING.

ITEM V: THE COMMENTS PROVIDED IN REFTTEL CONCERNING THIS AGENDA ITEM ARE GENERALLY IN ACCORDANCE WITH EXISTING US EFFORTS TO UPGRADE THE ITEMS ON THE AGENDA OF THE SCEPC PLENARY SO THAT IT DEALS WITH SUBSTANTIVE MATTERS. THEREFORE, YOU SHOULD ADVISE THE PERMANENT SESSION OF THIS POSITION AND URGE THE COMMITTEE TO IMPROVE THE QUALITY AND REDUCE THE VOLUME OF ITEMS TO BE CONSIDERED IN PLENARY SESSION.

COMMENT: THE US DELEGATION TO THE MAY REINFORCED MEETING WILL BE PREPARED TO ADDRESS THIS ISSUE IN GREATER DETAIL. END COMMENT.

ITEM VI: THIS ITEM MAY BE APPROVED. WE PREFER ENDORSING THE REVISED DECLARATION OF INTENT, PARAGRAPH 4(A); HOWEVER, SHOULD USNATO CONSIDER THE SHORTER VERSION MORE CONFIDENTIAL

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APPROPRIATE, BASED UPON ITS ASSESSMENT OF THE SENSITIVITY OF THIS ITEM, YOU MAY SUPPORT PARAGRAPH 4(B).

ITEM VII: THIS ITEM MAY BE APPROVED SUBJECT TO RECOGNITION THAT THIS IS AN INTERIM APPROVAL OF THESE MANUALS PENDING A FULL EVALUATION OF THE CURRENT STUDY BEING CONDUCTED CONCERNING THE MERGER OF CSA AND ESA. IT SHOULD BE NOTED THAT THE ASSUMPTION IN PARAGRAPH 3, AC/25-D/387 - AC/143-D/341 IS NOT VALID SINCE THIS IS NOT IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE APPROVED REVISED ASSUMPTIONS.

ITEM VIII: THE COURSE OF ACTION OUTLINED IN REF B FOR PURCHASE OF PUBLICATIONS IS APPROVED. WITH RESPECT TO THE ADP SYSTEM FOR DSA THE US CONTINUES TO SUPPORT THIS

ITEM AND WILL RECLAIM THIS DELETION THROUGH ITS REPRESENTATION TO THE PBOS DURING THE MEETING OF THAT COMMITTEE, APRIL 22-24, 1975.

ITEM IX: THIS ITEM MAY BE APPROVED.

WE GENERALLY SUPPORT VIEWS OF USNATO THAT PROPOSED AGENDA ITEMS FOR THE MAY AND JUNE MEETINGS LACK DESIRED SUBSTANCE, NEED MAJOR REVISION, AND GENERAL TIGHTENING UP. AS A PART OF THIS PROCESS, USNATO IS URGED TO EXPRESS THIS POSITION DURING THIS MEETING IF IT IS CONSIDERED APPROPRIATE. FURTHER, THE US REPRESENTATIVES TO THE MAY REINFORCED WILL BE PREPARED TO PARTICIPATE IN MEANINGFUL REPEAT MEANINGFUL DRAFTING AND REVISION OF DOCUMENTS IN ORDER TO ENSURE PROFITABLE DISCUSSIONS AT THE JUNE PLENARY. TO THIS END, USNATO MAY WISH TO ANNOUNCE AT THE APRIL MEETING THAT DURING THE MAY REINFORCED MEETING THE US WILL REQUEST DECISION SHEETS AND/OR COPIES OF REVISED DOCUMENTS RESULTING FROM THIS MEETING TO BE AVAILABLE FOR DISCUSSION PRIOR TO ADJOURNMENT OF THE MAY MEETING.

WE WOULD APPRECIATE YOUR VIEWS OF A PROPOSAL WHEREBY UNDER AGENDA ITEM XI, ANY OTHER BUSINESS, AC/98-A/105, MAY REINFORCED MEETING, THE INTERNATIONAL MILITARY COMMITTEE STAFF (IMS) WOULD BRIEF THE SCEPC ON THE US CONFIDENTIAL

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INTERVENTION CONCERNING INCREASED CIVIL SUPPORT TO NATO'S CONVENTIONAL CAPABILITY WITH FOLLOW-ON DISCUSSIONS LED BY THE US. IF SUCH A PROPOSAL IS AGREEABLE TO USNATO, IT MAY RESULT IN THE ADDITION OF A SIGNIFICANT ITEM TO THE AGENDA OF THE JUNE PLENARY. OJCS (J-4, COL ROBINSON) HAS CONCURRED IN THIS PROPOSAL.

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